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In re Application of:	:	
SOLGAARD, <i>et al.</i>	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No.09/849,096	:	TO WITHDRAW HOLDING
Filed: May 04, 2001	:	OF ABANDONMENT
Attorney Docket No.: UC97-156-8	:	

This is a decision on the petition filed on November 06, 2002, to withdraw the holding of abandonment of the above-identified application. A petition fee is not required.

The petition is **granted**.

The application was held abandoned for failure to respond to the Office action mailed on March 11, 2002. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on October 25, 2002.

Petitioner asserts that a response to the Office action of March 11, 2002, was mailed by Express Mail in the above-identified application on May 13, 2002. The petitioner has provided a copy of the Express Mail Label and a copy of the return receipt postcard that acknowledges receipt by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) of the above identified response on May 13, 2002.

A review of the application file record reveals that the above-identified response was not associated with the application file at the time the Notice of Abandonment was mailed but has since been located and matched therewith. The response of record bears a PTO stamped receipt date of May 13, 2002.

For the above-stated reasons, the Notice of Abandonment is hereby vacated and the holding of abandonment withdrawn. The application is restored to pending status.

The application file is being forwarded to the Technology Center 2800 support staff for entry of the response received on May 13, 2002. From there, the application will be forwarded to the examiner for appropriate action.

Inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to Lissi Mojica Marquis at (703) 308-2260.

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